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Ms. HALES: [My name is Mary Hales. I live in

22 Caliente.

23 A decision will soon be made about Yucca

24 Mountain. It will be as much by politics as fact.

25 The nuclear power industry lobbies for a solution

1 to a problem they created. The Federal Government compounded

2 that problem by promising to dispose of the spent fuel.]

3 We live in America, the most envied nation on

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4 earth, but also the most hated. [The threat of sabotage and

5 terrorism must be taken very seriously, but it is only given

6 token mention in the DEIS.

7 Only Yucca Mountain and the seventy-seven sites

8 where material is stored are even discussed. No one is going

9 to break into Yucca Mountain and take a cask.

10 The greatest risk for sabotage or acts of

11 terrorism will be in transportation, a big gray area, maybe

12 this, maybe that, maybe here, maybe there.

13 To make a statement around the world, a terrorist

14 wouldn't just fire a missile at a cask. They would hijack the

15 truck or derail the train carrying that cask. You couldn't put

16 enough guards on board or in front or behind to stop a

17 dedicated group determined to kill as many Americans as they

18 can.

19 It's not -- it's not just the Bin Laden's or the

20 Khaddafis we have to worry about. There are the Tim McVeys and

21 to Ted Kazinskis who won't hesitate to kill or maim their own

22 people.

23 You cannot protect rail or truck shipments of

24 high-level nuclear material from terrorists or saboteurs.

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25 Therefore you cannot promise safety to America's citizens.

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1 We've just been lucky so far.

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2 [Contrary to what a few elected officials now over
3 twenty years ago would have you believe, the great State of
4 Nevada and the majority of her citizens are opposed to Yucca
5 Mountain. The fact that we have to be here today doesn't say
6 much for Nevada's rights or laws.]

7 Thank you.

8 MR. LAWSON: Thank you.